

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) A crepe facilitating aqueous composition for use in the manufacturing of a tissue product characterized in comprising at least one water-insoluble, non-surface active thermoplastic material having a softening or melting point within the range of from 40°C to 100°C, and at least one cationic water-soluble material water-soluble polymer.

2. (Original) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the softening or melting point is within the range of from 50°C to 90°C.

3. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim 1 ~~or claim 2~~, wherein the water-insoluble, non-surface active thermoplastic material is non-cationic.

4. (currently Amended) A composition according to ~~any one of claims 1-3~~ claim 1, wherein the water-insoluble thermoplastic material is selected from the group consisting of waxes; fatty alcohols and esters thereof; fatty acids or and esters thereof; and rosin acids or esters thereof.

5. (Original) A composition according to claim 4, wherein the water-insoluble thermoplastic material is selected from the group consisting of montan waxes; paraffin waxes; oxidized paraffin waxes; polyethylene waxes; microcrystalline waxes; Carnauba wax; and synthetic waxes produced by the Fischer-Trops process.

6. (Currently Amended) A composition according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the water-insoluble thermoplastic material has an average particle size equal to or less than 5 μm .

7. (Original) A composition according to claim 6, wherein the water-insoluble thermoplastic material has an average particle size equal to or less than 1.5 μm .

8. (Currently Amended) A composition according to ~~any one of claims 1-7~~ claim 1, wherein said at least one water-soluble polymer is a cationic water-soluble polymer.

9. (Original) A composition according to claim 8, wherein the cationic water-soluble material is a said at least one water-soluble cationic polymer is selected from the group consisting of cationic starch; polydimethyldiallyl ammonium chloride (polyDADMAC); polyaluminium chloride; cationic polyamides; and polyamine-epichlorohydrin resins.

10. (Currently Amended) A composition according to ~~any one of claims 1-9~~ claim 1, wherein said at least one water-soluble polymer is used in combination with at least one cationic surfactant.

11. (Original) A composition according to claim 10, wherein said at least one cationic surfactant is a quaternary fatty amine.

12. (Currently Amended) A composition according to ~~any one of claims 1-7~~ claim 1, wherein said at least one water-soluble polymer is an anionic water-soluble polymer.

13. (Original) A composition according to claim 12, wherein said at least one anionic water-soluble polymer is selected from the group consisting of carboxymethyl cellulose and polyacrylamide.

14. (Currently Amended) A composition according to ~~any one of claims 1-7~~ claim 1, wherein said at least one water-soluble polymer is a non-ionic water-soluble polymer.

15. (Original) A composition according to claim 14, wherein said at least one non-ionic water-soluble polymer is amphoteric starch.

16. (Currently Amended) Use of a crepe facilitating aqueous composition according to ~~any one of claims 1-15~~ claim 1 in the manufacturing of a tissue product.

17. (Currently Amended) A method for manufacturing a tissue product from a furnish of fibres, c h a r a c t e r i z e d in comprising

- adding an crepe facilitating aqueous composition according to ~~any one of claims 1-15~~ claim 1 to a furnish of fibres,
- consolidating the furnish into a web,
- creping the web, and

- forming a tissue product from the creped web.

18. (Original) A method according to claim 17, wherein the aqueous composition is added to the furnish at an addition rate within the range of from 0.03 to 1% (w/w) dry water-insoluble, non-surface active thermoplastic material based on dry weight of the web.

19. (Original) A method according to claim 18, wherein the addition rate is within the range of from 0.1 to 0.6% (w/w) dry water-insoluble, non-surface active thermoplastic material based on dry weight of the web.

20. (Currently Amended) A tissue product obtainable by the method according to ~~any one~~ of ~~claims 17-19~~ claim 17.